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## WOMAN'S UNION MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF AMERICA.

This Society was organized in 1860, and is the pioneer of Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies in America.

It is undenominational, and so it presents a united Christian front to the heathen world.

It is carried on entirely by women, with unsalaried officers.

Its aim is the salvation and elevation of heathen women.

"Win for Christ," its motto.

IT is significant to read that Lord Macaulay in 1836 stated, "If our plans of education be followed, there will not be a single idolator among the respectable classes in Bengal thirty years hence." To-day there is a false god for every member of the population of India—between two and three hundred millions. In Japan there are four hundred and fifty heathen temples for every single Christian missionary. There are 400,000,000 of mankind who have not a leaf of the Bible in their 2,700 languages and dialects."

A HINDU priest writes, "India is the home of something, nothing. It is the gorgeous East, and the abode of perennial, age-long uncleanness. It is a land of paradoxes, subtlety and deepest cunning. The Occidental sees his point, the Oriental sees his and another also."

THE *Messenger*, published in Japan, states, "the birthday of Her Majesty, the Empress, is becoming, more and more, a day on which the Christian women of the Empire unite to pray and to work for the betterment of their country. This year, in Osaka, the local W. C. T. U. held a meeting in the Baikwa Girls' School, at which national reforms that Japanese women can and are helping to bring about, were considered in a most interesting and practical manner."

IN the *L.M.S. Chronicle* "we find another illustration of the passion for reform that has possessed the people of China. Canton—almost in a day—has literally swept out the gambling curse amid the open rejoicings of the people! That it was a brave thing to do, is proved by the simple fact that *half* the revenue of the province was derived from this monopoly. The loss to the treasury will be made up by the people in the ways of legitimate taxation."

MR. SHERWOOD EDDY tells us: "One hundred thousand people assembled to celebrate with rejoicing this bold innovation, and to create sentiment in favor of the prohibition of gambling. Floats carried on the shoulders of men, represented in picturesque drama the ravaging effects of gambling. The figures of twelve great dragons were carried, some of which took twenty men to bear them. It took two hours and more for the great throng to pass."

REV. C. T. WILSON, writing on "Islam and Christianity in Relation to Missionary Effort," says: "The Mohammedan religion, wherever it has gone, has aimed at obtaining civil and political power. In the Koran, believers are bidden to fight against all non-Moslem powers—until they either accept Islam, or are crushed and reduced to servitude. And to this day any country where the ruling power is not Moslem, is called a land against which war ought to be waged."

SEPTEMBER 5th Miss Anne Hall and Miss Katharine Abbey, our two new appointments for the Bridgman Memorial School in Shanghai, left us. As their ties for China are strong, members of their families having been identified with missions in the Empire, we rejoice in the prospects of service opening before them.



MISS CROSBY AND PROCESSION.

## IN EASTERN LANDS.

JAPAN—YOKOHAMA.

CELEBRATION OF FORTY YEARS.

By MISS FLORENCE A. WELLS.

"A song, a dream, a story,  
By strangers quickly told."

**T**HUS the past forty years have seemed to Miss Crosby; and thus her life in Japan seemed to us, who attended her fortieth anniversary celebration on June 24th, 1911. Like a song, indeed, her years have passed, some joyful, some sad; but running through all, is the lofty theme which has made harmony of her life—that theme is devotion to God.

For many weeks we have been looking forward to this anniversary day, which marks the fortieth year since Miss Crosby and her co-workers came to Japan. All, from our youngest pupils to our oldest graduates, and even outside friends, have vied with one another to make it a memorable occasion. Miss Catharine Crosby presented us with an excellent life-size photograph of her sister, and gifts from the pupils and teachers, provided

a handsome frame. The Alumnae Association gave Miss Crosby a large framed testimonial, with Is. 26:3 written in Chinese characters, and guarded with ancient gold coin and sword-hilt. Other gifts came from the Bible School, the foreign Church, and from old friends and former pupils. Some who were unable to be present sent telegrams—"Many happy years," "May joy ever follow thee," etc.

The Second Preparatory Class sang in English a song of congratulation; Miss Loomis and three of the Alumnae reviewed Miss Crosby's years here, each telling of a decade; a member of the Junior Class recited the poem "Contentment," and one of the Seniors, Psalm 121.

At the end of the first half of the programme everybody joined in singing a triumphal song to the tune "Marching Through Georgia." We all formed in double line and marched upon the campus and around the green, Miss Crosby in her jinriksha leading the gay procession. The pupils had been praying for a clear day, and God gave us not only bright sunshine but also a cool breeze. About sixty former pupils were present, and it was heart-cheering to see them chatting in little groups here and there,



drinking tea together, watching the drills performed, or gathering about Miss Crosby to talk over old times.

The half-hour of outdoor recreation ended, the happy company gathered in the Bible School, Miss Crosby sitting like a May Queen in her flower-decked chair, her friends all about her. The Bible School students then treated us to a most interesting series of tableaux portraying events of her life, beginning with her parting in America and ending with two grandchildren of the school sitting beside her. We next listened to a poem full of tender feeling and high ideal, written for the occasion by Miss Alward, and the younger teachers of the Girls' School recited scenes from "As You Like It."

At the close, all who have known Miss Crosby for thirty years or more were invited to drink to her health from a beautiful loving-cup presented by Rev. and Mrs. Loomis.

As many as could do so lingered, loth to leave the blessed associations so forcibly recalled to their minds by the speeches, songs, and events of the afternoon. We feel that in doing honor to Miss Crosby we have not only given her great joy but we have also strengthened the spiritual bond between our school and our alumnae, who are scattered throughout this fair Empire. The hymn with which we began our exercises may say:

"An unremaining glory  
Of things that soon are old;"

but we believe that for our faithful Miss Crosby, there is laid up in Heaven a crown

"Of everlasting glory  
That fades not nor grows old."

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#### BIBLE SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.

By MISS S. A. PRATT.

THE 28th of June, 1911, was a red-letter day for the Bible Training School at 212 Bluff, for at this time was celebrated the 30th Anniversary of the commencement of evangelistic work of the *Woman's Union Missionary Society* by Mrs. Louise H. Pierson, one of its pioneer missionaries.

The beginning of the present large Bible Training School, was a Bible Class taught by Mrs. Pierson, the members of which were urged to do active evangelistic work.

Then groups of women were gathered and taught, later on doing work in the city, sometimes going on evangelistic trips with Mrs. Pierson into the country.

Now we have a Bible Training School established with a goodly number of students, many of the fifty-one graduates still in active service.

Then the teaching was done by the missionaries, but now it is necessary to have a number of Japanese teachers as well.

The present head Japanese teacher has taken a theological course; the pastor of a Yokohama church is one of the teachers; another teacher, Miss Kido, has taken a two years' course in Dr. White's Bible School in New York.

There are not many such schools in Japan, where women can receive not only a thorough Bible training but also practical teaching along all lines of evangelistic work, and it has been the object to improve the school, year by year.

Then there were three Chapels in the country, while meetings were held every evening in different parts of Yokohama.

Now we have ten preaching-places where graduates are working. Thirty-six Sunday Schools are connected with the Bible Training School in both city and country, while many Bible classes and women's meetings are held.

Then sixty dollars a year sent for each Bible-woman was sufficient for the expenses, but, as the work has grown, we now need at once besides the salaries of the Bible-women, seventy dollars per month toward salaries of teachers, and at least thirty dollars per month toward the school running expenses. We also need special contributions for the Sunday School work, also for the spread of evangelistic work in the country.

Then, in the true spirit of faith Mrs. Pierson started the work. Now, trusting in the same God "whose hand is upon all them for good that seek Him," we make this appeal for contributions to help carry on this work which has been manifestly blest by God.

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#### SIXTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

GRAY skies and continuous rain did not dampen the enthusiasm of the workers and students of the Bible Training School, who gathered for their *Sixth Annual Conference*, the latter part of June and the first of July. For many weeks earnest prayer had been offered for the Conference, and God was truly present in power and blessing.

As has been customary for the past few years, the workers who lived near enough to make it feasible, came back to the school for the Commencement and Conference.

This year seventeen came from the preaching-places, although some from other cities were prevented because of illness.

Eleven young women, having finished the course of study, were graduated. I doubt if diplomas were ever awarded here under just such circumstances. On account of the extinguishment of the electric lights in the midst of this ceremony (for it is quite a ceremony in Japan), they were presented by the light of candles in the hands of human candlesticks standing about the platform.

We spent the next morning in prayer for the Conference, and there seemed to be a strong desire that the Holy Spirit might come upon us in real blessing. Prayer has always been made an important part of all the meetings.

One of the special features of this Conference was the Anniversary Service, commemorating the founding of the evangelistic work thirty years ago by Mrs. Pierson. At this impressive service, we had a number of speeches given by those who had known Mrs. Pierson well. Mrs. Ninomuja, one of the first students who came to 212, told of the beginning of the work, which was a Bible class started by Mrs. Pierson comprising the first students of the Girls' School. She told how Mrs. Pierson not only took them with her, but later sent them two by two, to spread the good news of salvation.

Mrs. Pierson's personal teacher, Mr. Kumano, now filling an important position in a large school in Tokyo, gave his recollections of Mrs. Pierson, of her earnestness in language study, and how she would rise while yet dark during the winter months, in order that she might take her Japanese lesson before breakfast; of the part she had in the founding of the Japanese Union Church in Yokohama; also the prayer meeting for the Christian Japanese ladies of Tokyo and Yokohama, held semi-annually, and which is still flourishing; of her indefatigable zeal in spreading the good tidings; of the three preaching-places she established and of the evening meetings she held in Yokohama in different parts of the city. He spoke feelingly of her prayers in both English and Japanese, saying that they seemed to bring one into the very presence of God.

Our faithful Bible-woman for twenty-six years and present matron of the Bible school, Mrs. Iwamura, told of the past, and gave a short history of what has been accomplished since her connection with the work.

She told how Mrs. Pierson would go out in her jinriksha every day, and of a large crowd

gathered about her as she told them of Christ. The first Bible-women were six in number, three being in active service to-day. Never can they, or anyone who knew Mrs. Pierson, forget the earnest, self-denying spirit shown in her devoted life. She told of the growth of the work; that the present Bible Training School was established ten years ago; of the growth in the thirty-six Sunday Schools now connected with it; also of the increase in the number of preaching-places, now numbering ten. Much emphasis was laid upon faith in the work, the Bible students having recited parts of the eleventh chapter of Hebrews.

Dr. James Ballagh, who is now celebrating his 50th year of faithful service in Japan, told of Mrs. Pierson in relation to evangelistic work; of her never stopping at obstacles; of her earnestness in speaking to all with whom she came in contact, on the subject of salvation, and of her frequent country trips.

Greetings were given by Mr. Ishii, representing the country stations, who was converted in our preaching-place at Futsu and said he owed everything to the Bible Training School. He has led many to Christ and is a pillar in the little church there.

The following three days were given up to special prayer, reports of the work and addresses, while two Bible classes were held each afternoon. The workers reported increased interest in the preaching-places with which each is connected. In one village the school teachers met regularly to study Christianity. In a preaching-place the interest is steadily increasing, the same people coming week after week to be taught. There have been a number of baptisms and a large number of inquiries in different places.

A special service was held in the Japanese church on Sunday morning, when all Bible School students and workers were present. It was a joy to partake all together of the Lord's Supper.

Other features of this Conference were a Sunday School Conference under the direction of Miss Alward, when important questions were discussed; also our alumnæ meeting, at which time a special service was held for those who have passed on to the home above, two of our workers having died the past year.

With a never-to-be-forgotten praise meeting our Sixth Conference was closed, but what of the results? No one can tell what it has meant and what it is to mean to many.

More and more do the Bible-women realize their responsibility to those out of Christ, and there is a strong purpose to give the Gospel to those who have not yet heard.



## PERSONALS

*Japan—Yokohama.*—Miss Alward writes: In one of our Sunday Schools after one teacher had been giving the lesson about the wedding feast, I spoke of Christ's invitation to the "weary and heavy laden." The woman in charge listened with a hungering expression as if she felt the need of that blessed rest. The older class have copies of "Acts" and are studying the life of Paul. Our afternoon teachers start out like a small salvation army, in a very poor part of the city, but with splendid results. One of the most skillful teachers works there and loves the people. Two go to the home of a minister whose wife is a graduate of a mission school and often helps. Two teach in a building used for the Charity School. Poor indeed the building as well as the children, where the rain pours in as well as fresh air.

Two students have gone to a poorer locality, where the only available room is very small. The teacher stands outside the door, while the children, sitting closely on the mats, more than fill the room. All listen eagerly and take part most heartily in the singing.

Three other students come from the old Aizawa Sunday School, now too large for any one small house on that street, so it is divided in two houses.

We went to the home for our supper, as the students usually do, on Sunday evening, and when we saw how happily they gathered about the long tables (first the little ones, then the older ones, for all could not eat at one time), and how reverently they waited for thanksgiving, then chatted together or with teachers while they ate, we could understand why they are so happy and well behaved.

Going on to the seashore, two other students stop near the bridge and gather the children in a nice, pleasant home. Two others go on beyond, following the shore line to the next little village, a full hour's walk from school. But this is the happy hour of the week for the children. When we first opened work there it was necessary to send an older woman, for young students were treated roughly, but it is not so now.

Our youngest Sunday School (the eighteenth) is just begun, promising well in numbers (about seventy) as well as noise. The location is also by the seashore, not so far away, and specially interesting because it was in that neighborhood that Miss Pratt began her first Sunday School work in Japanese. For

a time the Salvation Army have taken care of the field, but as they cannot now, we will occupy again. One of the Army, a graduate of our Girls' School, will help us all she can.

Miss Loomis writes: Two of our young teachers are leaving us, one, Oishi San, has been my faithful helper for five years, and Yoshida Omichi San has been very successful in teaching the Japanese branches in the lower classes. They will both be very much missed. Miss Yoshida is engaged to be married to Mr. H. Aoto, a graduate of the Congregational Seminary in Berkeley, Cal., and they will be engaged in Christian work among the Japanese there. A recent graduate, Harada O. Noshi San, is spending a week with her family after a year of Christian work in Matsuyama. She is a most enthusiastic little missionary. Very cheering letters have come from a graduate in Kobe who has resisted serious temptations.

Miss Michi Kawai, the delegate sent from Japan to the International Y. W. C. A. Convention in Berlin, has recently returned to Tokyo, after spending some time in England and America. She gave a most beautiful talk about Christian work in other lands and the obligations resting upon Japanese women to give to others what they have so freely received. Her central thought was the joy of giving, and our girls were much impressed by what she said and are devising new ways for raising the money they need for their Sunday Schools, Y. W. C. A. and Temperance work.

*China — Shanghai.* — Miss Elizabeth Irvine writes: The Evangelistic branch of our Mission is satisfactory. The new "Maternity" has been a boon to us in this department, making our work in the Wards so much more satisfactory, owing to the fewer distractions. There is at present a wave of deeper interest among the patients and, although they change frequently, we have nevertheless evidences that a genuine interest has been aroused, which we feel will not die with their removal from the Hospital. Another subject of thankfulness is that some pupils in one of our day schools, who were persuaded to attend another school which held out great attractions, are very much dissatisfied and return to us. The work is more satisfactory, and there is less of the pupils running about from school to school than it was three or four years ago. The people are learning that to open a school, and get out a high-sounding curriculum, does not make a school without hard work and the persevering spirit.

## HERE AND THERE

### RESULTS.

IT is not often given in this changing world, to see the blessings which follow the establishment of a work for the Lord and the betterment of the race. Such a rare satisfaction is found in the record of the forty years of Miss Crosby, in connection with the establishment of the first Girls' Boarding School in Japan, at 212 Bluff, Yokohama.

In a report Miss Crosby sent for our Jubilee Anniversary, she states: "In 1870 Rev. James H. Ballagh, returning to America on furlough, brought with him an earnest appeal from all the missionaries then in Japan, begging that some Society or individual would open a Home for Eurasian girls in Yokohama. It stated that this class was in a most pitiable condition, owing to the hatred of the Japanese to everything foreign, and that even in some cases, the children with their mothers were cast out to perish.

This appeal touched the hearts of the ladies of the *Woman's Union Missionary Society*, and they decided to send one or more missionaries to open a school in Japan. Mrs. Samuel Pruyn of Albany, N. Y., after seeking in vain for some one willing to go, felt called to offer herself for the work. The Board gladly accepted her offer, and appointed Mrs. Louise H. Pierson and Miss Julia N. Crosby as assistants.

After the necessary delay of a few months in preparation for the new home in a strange Eastern land, our party left New York, May 18th, 1871. This was barely two years after the railroad across the Continent was finished, and there were no Pullman or dining cars, nor many of the comforts the traveller now enjoys in going over the same route. The passengers had to carry their own provisions, or take hasty meals at the stations by the way, many of which were mere shanties, in desolate barren stretches of country. But the journey had all the charm of novelty, and was broken by our stopping over Sunday at Chicago. After spending two or three days in San Francisco, we embarked on the good side-wheel steamer "Japan," of the Pacific S.S. Co.'s line, the *only* line crossing to Japan, and that only once a month, and landed in Yokohama June 25th.

It was not easy to find an unoccupied house at that time, but after waiting nearly a month, one was placed at our disposal . . . and we were ready to receive the children whom we had come to rescue and teach. Strange to

say, it was impossible to get them, because of the change that had taken place in the feelings of many of the Japanese towards foreigners in the short space of a year.

Another incident connected with our new home was a severe typhoon which occurred ten days after we were all settled and in good order. It tore up trees and damaged the roof, causing many leaks which let the water in, in every direction, staining our new wall paper and matting, as well as the clothes in our closets. One of its pranks was to blow directly through the upper hall, breaking in the window at one end as it entered, and carrying the sash at the other end away with it in its exit. This window was found the next day in a Chinese burying ground nearby.

The first children received into the Home were two little girls, whose mother had died in the barracks of a British regiment stationed here. Several missionaries brought them to us, offering to be responsible for their board. . . .

As our family increased, we decided to look for larger quarters. . . . Our first need was a room for Mrs. Pierson's classes . . . and a little schoolhouse was finished in 1874 and served as our "Hall of Learning" for thirty years. During that time scores and scores of girls received, not only a good secular education in both English and Japanese, but above all else, in the truths of God's Holy Word, and had gone back to their old homes, or to homes of their own, carrying the good tidings with them, and proving blessings to many souls. . . .

In the early days of the school, the girls had to undergo opposition and persecution when they became Christians. Now the feeling towards Christianity is very different, and they are free to be baptized, engage in Christian work, and in not a few cases they have had the happiness of leading their whole families to Christ. We have had for some years past in the one school the children of former pupils—grandchildren as we call them. . . .

Through the liberality of friends in America we were able to replace our schoolhouse with a much larger and more convenient one, and to build the Bible Training School and Chapel, naming them respectively, "Doremus Hall" and "Pierson Chapel."

It is with regret that we are unable to print in detail the entire proceedings of this *Fortieth Anniversary* reception to Miss Crosby, June 24th, but those who participated in



the celebration may be known from this programme:

## PART I

1. Prayer
2. Psalm—121 Senior Class.
3. Hymn—187
4. History—1871-'81 Mrs. Nin O. Muja.
5. Song 2nd Preparatory.
6. History—1881-'91 Mrs. Harada.
7. Recitation—  
"Contentment" Miss Shio Tanaka.
8. History—1891-'01 Miss Katagiri.
9. Music Miss Nobu Yoshida.
10. History—1901-'11 Miss Loomis.
11. Song School.

## GRAND MARCH

## PART II

12. Ring Drill 1st & 2nd Preparatory.
13. Barbell Drill High School.
14. Games for Children.
15. Scenes from Teachers of Girls'  
"As You Like It" School.
16. Tableaux Bible Schools.

In closing her address Miss Loomis paid a well-deserved tribute to the surviving founder of our Mission in Japan.

"Amid all the changes, Miss Crosby has been with us except for two short vacations. Her experience in planning and supervising the new buildings, her ability and willingness to help with earnest work, sympathy, or advice have been an invaluable help to us all.

"At this, her 40th anniversary, her daughters 'all rise up to call her blessed' and hope that as she has lived to see the fruits of her labors, the coming years may be for her the happiest she has known; and may we all with greater zeal seek a glorious fulfillment of Christ's promise—'According to your faith be it unto you.'"

Miss Tracy writes: The teachers of our Girls' School, at 212 Bluff, presented the Bible School at their 30th Anniversary, with a beautiful purple crepe square upon which the School Motto was stamped in white, "Not to be ministered unto, but to minister." The Bible School colors are purple and white.

## DO FOREIGN MISSIONS PAY?

HOW often this question is raised. No person should put the financial aspects of the foreign missionary situation to the fore. The financial basis is only incidental. It is completely over-shadowed by larger and more vital considerations.

Nevertheless the financial or commercial relations of foreign missions cannot be ignored. Millions have been and are being invested in the vast undertaking of the world's evangelization. What is the result? Has the investment been justified? Has the missionary made good from a commercial point of consideration? Here is what the *New York Mail* says on this head:

"The commercial results of foreign missionary work are most impressive. Every foreign mission established for the spread of Christianity, may be said to have slipped a new belt on every factory pulley in England and America.

"The missionary carpets his house, and the Oriental, never needing to be exhorted to buy a carpet, saves his money and buys one. The entire simple furnishing of the missionaries' houses is copied. The evident comfort and health of the chair, the bed, the cooking stove, and kitchen utensils, have been telling their story for seventy-five years. The entire Oriental trade of civilized lands has grown up, in these articles, during that period. Sailors did not show the object lesson, for natives did not visit the foreign ships. Travelling salesmen did not produce the demand, for they did not visit the countless dwellings with samples. Printed advertisements were never sent among people who have almost no newspapers, and who for the most part could not read. Tales of travellers were not brought back to the millions, for only recently have Orientals travelled or sent a few of their aristocratic class abroad to our schools. What other source is left, except the missionary, who has penetrated all China, India, Burma, and far islands?

"Let it be frankly acknowledged that it is the object lesson of the missionary's home, his clothes, his buildings for a hospital and school, that has inflamed the desire for doors, hardware, shoes, coats, and about everything that commerce is now sending to these awakening markets.

"The missionaries have talked railroads, telephones, carts with spoked wheels. They have indeed given the wheels of trade such a speeding twirl as they never will lose. They are doing it every day. They are about the sole creators of the demand, that irresistible postulate of sales.

"Do foreign missions pay? The books of every commercial house having a foreign trade say that they do. Only the wisacre statistician, who knows so many things that are not so, shakes his head."—*The Epworth Herald*.



GRADUATES AND SCHOOL AT YOKOHAMA.

## FOR MISSION BANDS.

### MY MEMORIES, 1881-1891.

By MRS. HARADA (former Japanese pupil).

IT is with great joy that we meet here to-day on this memorable occasion. Many changes have taken place in our lives, but I am sure that many of you often recall the years spent here as the happiest time of your life, as I do.

We have just heard the history of the first ten years of this school, or the beginning of Miss Crosby's work in Japan; so I will try now to state some of the events that happened within the next ten years. But I cannot make any systematic outline of them, as I was only a little girl then, interested chiefly in dolls and picking flowers, etc.

The grounds where the Bible School dormitories now stand, were divided into strawberry beds with gooseberry hedges, while tomatoes, potatoes, and corn were planted here and there. During the day we watched for the ripe gooseberries and went to pick them after dark, but only got our hands scratched by their thorns and sometimes suffered after eating green ones. Also there were a lot of goats.

Let me tell you about the lessons. We had English lessons from 9 to 12, and the books we read were, first, the chart, a kind of Japanese "Tango," then Wilson's Primer and Readers from 1 to 5, while Cumnock's Choice Readings were read by the Seniors.

Japanese lessons were taught from 1 to 4, the periods being divided into 30 minutes as in the morning. The rest of the time was spent in our rooms playing with dolls. Every Friday from 11 to 12 we had a kind of Literary Exercise, while at one time two days were set aside for speaking English only. Public examinations took place once a year, at which many visitors and teachers from other schools were present and questioned us on various subjects.

The lessons were under the supervision of Mrs. Pierson, but Miss Crosby took charge of everything else. Some of you who stayed in your rooms at recreation hour from 5 to 5:30 obliged Miss Crosby to run after you.

During the past forty years many teachers have come and gone, but the one who has always welcomed us with unchanging love is Miss Crosby. We do not see her as active to-



day as she was in the past; but her dear face and loving heart are just the same, as when we saw her twenty or thirty years ago.

You can see the results of her patient toil through all these years in all parts of Japan and abroad. Indeed words fail to express my gratitude for all the benefits conferred upon me by Miss Crosby and other teachers during the last thirty years, and I pray that she may long be spared to help in this good work of training, and sending out strong Christian women for the salvation of Japan.

### OUR CHILDREN.

By ALICE E. WISHART.

“WHAT is that queer-looking two-wheeled vehicle with flapping curtains on the sides, just now drawn into the mission Compound at Allahabad by two stout sleepy oxen, I wonder?”

“Why, that?” some one replies, “is one of the Central School carts.” And out tumble the children, merry and grave and gay, of all sizes and ages, and almost before the school *dai* can get them in line to walk decorously down the alley, another and yet another cart comes lumbering in with its precious freight. Any one going down the school alley just after the carts have been emptied, must feel like the Pied Piper of Hamelin with all the children of the city at his heels!

The school-door reached, the long lines separate, each going to its own particular classroom amid a chorus of “*Salaam, Miss Sahib!*” The Mohammedans and Hindus troop upstairs to their various class-rooms, while the Bengali occupy the rooms on the ground floor which surround the big cement court which is used for the drills and play. Soon bright little faces, and well-oiled little heads are busy mastering the mazes of “big A” and “little A” or something more difficult. The young Indian Christian teachers in their fresh white *sáris* look like graceful flowers surrounded by gay-colored little buttercups and daisies all sitting in proper rows bending industriously over their slates, although daisies and buttercups never do bend over slates, do they?

What a joy is clay-modelling time, when our fancies find free rein in the making of vegetables and fruits, pots and kettles after their kind! When the bell sounds for recess they swarm like bees around the *mitháiwala*, who does a thriving trade for ten minutes in all the sticky sweets so dear to the infant heart.

But even sweets are not more interesting than drill and singing, stringing beads and sand play.

Said one small tot on hearing the head mistress reproving the *dai* for bringing such very little ones to school, “But, I will grow big some day!”

The advanced classes are enlarged duplicates of the Primary, only much wiser and more important looking. They have wonderfully made oily coiffures adorned with flowers and jewels, and they give a graceful “Good-morning, Miss Sahib!” in English.

Grammar, arithmetic, geography, and poetry are all a very serious matter to these slender dark-eyed maidens, but nothing is of more interest to them than the daily Bible lesson. The teaching of this, to them, new Master, Jesus Christ, frequently calls forth question and comment, with a very keen desire to carry out these principles in a practical way in their daily lives.

One day a number of our girls were accosted on their way home by a crowd from a Hindu school, giving them great abuse which our girls returned in kind, until reminded by their teacher the next day that this was wrong, since when they are reported as maintaining a discreet silence. It is an honor and a coveted privilege to be allowed to lead in the closing prayer, which is impartially granted to the best girls in class in turn.

Last of all come the Scripture verses and Bible story, and the Lord’s Prayer, when little heads are reverently bowed over small clasped brown hands, and sweet children’s voices in three languages, murmur in concert: “Our Father.”

### “JESUS LOVES ME.”

A RICH Japanese silk-merchant sent for the missionaries in his town, and entertained them most hospitably. He told how, as a child, he had attended a Sabbath-school. “Very often,” he said, “right in the midst of my business the words of the hymn, ‘Jesus loves me, this I know,’ come to me, and, try as I may, I can’t get them out of my mind.” He then repeated the hymn from beginning to end, and added: “Though I’ve lived my life without religion, I feel that it is the most important thing there is, and I want my little girl to be a Christian; and it is for that purpose,” he added emphatically, “that I have placed her in the Mission-School, that she may become a Christian.”—*Exchange*.

# RECEIPTS of the Woman's Union Missionary Society of America, from August 1 to August 31, 1911.

## ALLAHABAD, INDIA.

Conn.—Greenwich, Mrs. A. C. Hencken, for school,	\$250 00
Calif.—Pasadena, Miss M. C. Lathrop, special for Miss Wishart,	30 00
Total,	\$280 00

## CALCUTTA.

N. J.—Millstone Aux., Mrs. P. Eugene Nevins, Treas., for Indumucklie,	\$28 00
Pa.—Germantown, First Pres. Ch. S. S., Mr. C. S. Mansfield, Treas., for scholarship in Orphanage,	7 50
Ore.—Portland, Mrs. H. C. Ewing, per Miss Easton, for Gardner School,	24 30
Total,	\$59 80

## CAWNPORE.

Mary Avery Merriman Orphanage.

N. Y.—Schenectady, Miss G. V. N. Lyle, for Kahira,	\$4 00
Pa.—Lampeter, Miss M. L. Herr, for Ratau,	15 00
Calif.—Pasadena, A Friend, special gift,	75 00
Total,	\$94 00

## RESCUE WORK, FATEHPUR.

Mass.—Boston Br., Miss Cora Tuxbury, Treas., Mrs. J. R. Leonard, through Miss E. H. May,	\$50 00
N. Y.—Brooklyn, Miss A. H. Birdseye for Chanda	30 00
Total,	\$80 00

## JHANSI.

Mary S. and Maria Ackerman Hoyt Hospitals.

N. Y.—N. Y. City, Estate of Ezra P. Hoyt, Dr. J. Ackerman Coles, Treas.,	\$150 00
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## SHANGHAI, CHINA.

N. J.—Hackensack, Mrs. I. W. Van Dyck, for pupil Bridgman Home,	\$10 00
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## YOKOHAMA, JAPAN.

N. Y.—Alfred, Mrs. A. M. Burdick, for Prescott Scholarship,	\$50 00
N. J.—Princeton Br., A Friend, for Sunday School Work,	10 00
Ky.—Owingsville, Mrs. R. A. Walton, for Elizabeth Barnes Walton, Memorial Scholarship,	50 00
Total,	\$110 00

## GENERAL FUND.

Mass.—Boston Br., Mrs. J. M. Hubbard, 25.00; A Friend, 25.00; Miss Miriam Means, 5.00; for Miss McLean's expenses to Jhansi,	\$55 00
Conn.—Southport, A Friend,	500 00
N. Y.—Brooklyn, Mrs. S. T. Dauchy, an. sub., 50.00; for freight fund, 5.00; N. Y. City, special for Miss Wishart, purchases, 4.50,	59 50
Total,	\$614 50

## SUBSCRIPTION TO MISSIONARY LINK.

Mrs. G. D. Pruyn—total, \$1.00.

## WILLING AND OBEDIENT BAND.

Rev. D. M. Stearns, Germantown, Phila., Pa.

Calcutta—Mrs. L. A. Ross, for Bible Woman,	\$5 00
Jhansi—Mr. W. H. Bower, for Bible Woman,	3 00
Japan—Mr. W. C. Parke, for Kiyo Tado,	\$70 00
Mr. C. L. Hutchins, for Kono Yoshida,	5 00
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Mr. W. H. Bower, for Sida Sitsu,	5 00
Mrs. C. S. MacKenzie, for Matsuyo Sasoki,	30 00
Mr. and Mrs. Neilson Olcott, for Moto Iwamara,	5 00
Mrs. J. Cack, for Ren Kuchumira,	10 00
Total,	\$148 00

## SUMMARY.

Allahabad,	\$280 00
Calcutta,	64 80
Cawnpore,	94 00
Fatehpur,	80 00
Jhansi,	153 00
China,	10 00
Japan,	250 00
General Fund,	614 50
Link subscription,	1 00
Total,	\$1,547 30

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## AUGUST RECEIPTS OF PHILADELPHIA BRANCH. (Mrs. Wm. Waterall, Treas.)

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Interest from Harriet Holland Fund,	71 25
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Interest from Miss Clara A. Lindsay Fund,	5 62
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FOR INDIA—General Direction.

Dolls—black-haired, with china heads, hands, and feet, sizes varying from 6 to 12 and 14 inches long. Wax, composition, jointed, or kid-covered dolls are not desired.

For prizes—Boxes of note-paper, desks filled, work-bags or boxes filled, boxes of lead pencils with rubbers, soaps, cotton towels, cotton handkerchiefs by the hundreds, night-gowns, very stout unbleached muslin by the piece for underclothes, outing flannel by the piece, spool thread (Nos. 30 and 50), coarse, strong combs. Five or six yards of stout gingham is a good present for native

teachers, and two and one-half yards of unbleached cloth for *chud daks* for all the mission. Quinine in powder is most useful.

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## ADDRESSES OF MISSIONARIES.

### Missionaries in India:

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